

# GHOST STAMP ISSUE RE-APPEARS

## Inaugural Flight Canada To Australia

In making the announcement of an inaugural flight from Vancouver, Canada to Sydney, Australia, the Canadian Post Office Department stated that cachets will be made available to mark the occasion.

While no round trip covers will be serviced, cachets will be applied to covers from Vancouver to Honolulu, Vancouver to Fiji, Vancouver to Sydney, Australia. Covers are to be prepared with the name and the address of the person who is to receive the cover. They will be backstamped at the designated point and returned by surface mail from Vancouver for final distribution to collectors in the United States and Canada.

Space approximately 2" x 3" should be free on the left hand side of the envelope. Envelopes must also contain a stuffer, and be sealed. Each cover should also carry an endorsement requesting first flight service, and to which of the three destinations the cover is to be directed.

The rates for airmail on the flight are

Vancouver to Honolulu—7c

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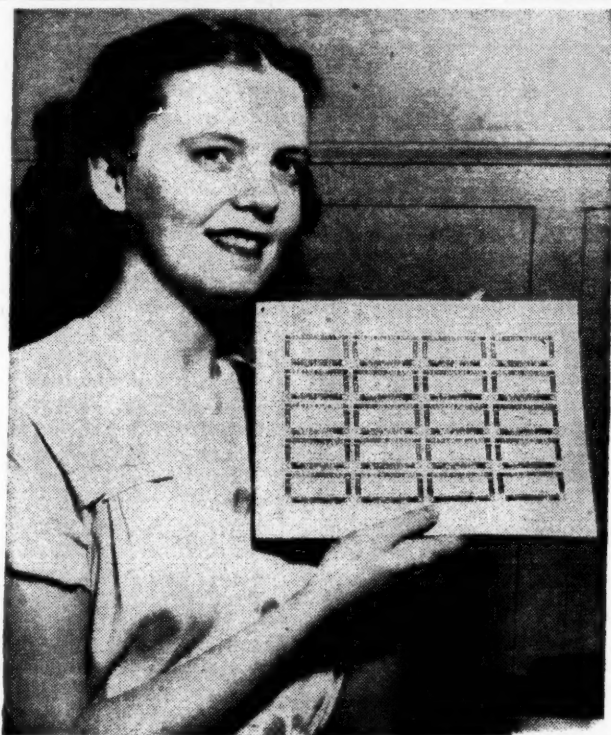
There will also be a handling charge of 10c per cover over and above the cost of the stamps to be affixed.

Collectors resident outside of Canada, not possessing Canadian postage stamps should forward a Post Office Money Order for the exact amount of the stamps to be affixed plus the handling charge of 10c per cover. Money Orders are to be made payable to the Receiver General of Canada.

Checks, Postal Notes or stamps will not be accepted in payment for stamps to be affixed to the covers or for the service fee.

Prepared covers should be sent under cover marked, Postmaster, Vancouver, Canada. The face of the envelope should also be marked "First Flight Covers."

Closing date for service will be July 11. Any covers arriving at the Vancouver Post Office after that date will be returned to the senders at their expense.



Photo—St. Paul Dispatch

LONG TIME NO SEE, Mrs. Richard Rudolf, wife of a St. Paul, Minnesota stamp dealer is shown holding a pane of 20 stamps which at one time had been ordered by the late government of Newfoundland. Known as the Wayzata issue, they were to have been used on a commercial flight from Lake Minnetonka to London, England. Orders to abandon the flight were issued by Newfoundland, and the stamps already printed were ordered recalled. That was 17 years ago. The pane above is one of ten which came into the hands of the dealer. See story elsewhere on this page.

## Describe Proper Practices And Precautions For Storing Mint Blocks, Sheets Of Stamps

by Carl P. Rueth

The summer months with their hot days and their sometimes rainy periods once again make it important for people who work with stamps either as collectors or "investors" to take steps to protect their collections or holdings. The winter time seemingly offers fewer problems in the matter of keeping mint stamps in first class condition since generally the gummed bits of paper are kept at room temperatures. And because most homes are heated by circulating warm air, humidity, which is one of the causes of stamp damage, is fairly well controlled.

There are very few parts of the United States where the collector has the problems that must be contended with in the tropic or sub-tropical climates. In those places, the gum is generally removed from all mint stamps in the collection, or in the case of sheets or blocks, the gummed side of the stamps is sprinkled liberally with talcum powder or something similar in composition. In any case, the tendency which stamps in our temperate zone have of curling quite a bit on rainy days, is amplified considerably in the tropic countries or in high humidity areas.

Generally, stamps can be damaged by heat, humidity and down right carelessness. The latter is probably responsible for most of the damage to stamps.

It is rather foolish on the part of a collector or accumulator to put good hard cash into a stamp or sheet of stamps with the intention of cashing in at some time in the future, and then do nothing to protect the investment he has made.

Some of this negligence is the result of ignorance as to what is considered good practice in the protection of stamps, while another sizeable section of the collecting fraternity are just too "tight" to do the thing up right. And while both groups lose out in the end, it is the cheapskates who certainly deserve all they get

in the way of ruined stamps.

It should be realized that magazines and newspapers were made to be read and not to be used as a place in which to store stamps. And likewise cigar and candy boxes were made to hold far different products than the stamps which are so carelessly consigned to their interiors by tight or uninformed collectors.

Stamps stored between sheets of newsprint will in time get the same brownish color which the newspaper gets after it has lain around a while. This discoloration will not occur on the paper used in most of the better magazines today, but two disadvantages still remain.

One, and this goes for the newspaper also, the first time the gum is made the least bit tacky by humidity it will stick to the paper. And two, the newspaper and the magazine do not let the stamps "breathe," or sustain a circulation of air, a factor which has been considered quite necessary to the well being of stamps.

In a cigar, candy or other box, stamps will have a tendency to curl, and when once this has happened to a block or sheet, it is quite probable that a number of the perforations are going to give away in the straightening process. That of course means the

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## Once Planned To Use Stamps On Commercial Air Line Carrying Freight, Mail And Passengers

Collectors in the St. Paul-Minneapolis area have had their curiosities piqued considerably by the appearance of ten full sheets of stamps which Newfoundland expected to use back in 1932 to prepay the postal charges on commercial mail. Known among collectors as the "WAYZATA" issue, the stamp is in a dark blue color and has a face value of one dollar. They were printed in panes of twenty, four wide by five deep on unwatermarked paper and perforated twelve.

After the stamps had been printed, Newfoundland abandoned the flight on which they were to have been used, and recalled all outstanding supplies.

Purchase of the ten sheets was admitted by Richard Rudolf of the Twin Cities Stamp Shop, St. Paul, but he would not reveal the person from whom they were obtained.

According to the story in the St. Paul Dispatch, the stamps have an unusual value as items for Minnesota collectors, they were printed in Minneapolis by special order of the Newfoundland government in 1932, and were to be used in connection with the proposed flight of an amphibian plane from Lake Minnetonka to London.

After the plane had arrived at Minnetonka, and had made several trial flights, the entire flight was canceled by the Newfoundland government, and a block of 25,000 of the "Wayzata" stamps which had been printed were officially "recalled."

Newfoundland postal officials admitted at the time that they had trouble convincing persons who had purchased the stamps that they should be re-sold to Newfoundland.

I. S. Lindquist of Minneapolis has had a sheet of the stamps in his own collection for years, and they were used as part of an exhibit in the recent stamp show in Hotel St. Paul. If other Minnesota collectors have been holding stamps of the Wayzata issue, they have been quiet about it.

The stamps are listed in catalogues, and will still sell at the face value of \$1 each, having picked up no extra market value during the 17 year interval.

The stamp is not listed by the Scott Catalog. It is listed in the Sanabria Air Post Catalog as stamp number 304 under Newfoundland.

Rectangular in shape with a horizontal format, the stamp design is rather attractive. It depicts a flying boat over a portion of the globe on which can be seen the outlines of Newfoundland, Greenland and parts of Europe.

Across the top is the country name while in a panel on each side is the date "1932". In 2 lines at the bottom is "AIRMAIL POSTAGE ONE DOLLAR" while in circles at each side of that inscription are the value "\$1."

## World Health Congress Marked With Commem

Italy marked the second World Health Congress held in Rome with a single commemorative stamp having a face value of 20 Lire.

First day of issue was on June 13. Design of the stamp which is produced by photogravure depicts the staff of Aesculapius before a globe of the world. Underneath these are shown the Dome of St. Peters and the Coliseum, two well known Roman landmarks.

Color of the stamp is purple. News of the issue came from Campagna Sammarinese, Salita Crescenzi 26, Rome, Italy.

## Suggests Commission To Pick New Stamps

According to the New York Sun, a new approach is planned in the matter of authorizing commemorative stamps for the future.

Representative Miller of California, a member of the House Post Office and Civil Service Committee, has introduced a bill providing for the creation of a commission to pass upon and select subjects for future issues of commemorative postage stamps. This commission would consist of the Postmaster-General, who would serve as chairman; the Archivist of the United States, Secretary of the Smithsonian Institution, the Librarian of Congress and one member appointed from civil life by the President of the United States.

If authorized this commission would select the commemorative stamps to be issued beginning with the calendar year 1950. In discussing his measure with a New York Sun reporter Representative Miller had this to say:

"From what I have heard the Philately program of the Post Office Department for the calendar year 1950 is to consist of but twelve subjects. Prior to the Eightieth Congress the Postmaster-General had authorized the issuance of all commemorative postage stamps.

"As is well known this particular Congress by resolution directed the Postmaster-General to issue special postage stamps in such numbers and without regard to merit as to bring down upon that body the just criticism of all those interested in philately. That body made a mess of the stamp business.

"It is my thought that the membership of such a commission as I have suggested in my bill would be fully competent to select only such events in our national history to be commemorated through the issuance of postage stamps as would follow the policy enunciated in the years past. Only such issues of stamps would be authorized in the future that would commemorate important historical events connected with the nation's development and progress through the years."

## UAL'S Top Pilot Retires At 57

Capt. E. Hamilton Lee, 57, United Air Lines record breaking pilot retired from active service on June 9, after 36 years as a pilot and with a log of over 4,400,000 flown miles.

Capt. Lee had learned to fly in 1913 and was an instructor to aviators during World War I. He was also one of the pilots to volunteer to fly the first airmail route between Washington and New York in 1918. This was the first experimental route sponsored by the Post Office Department.

In time, Capt. Lee has flown every segment of the transcontinental mail route which was laid out originally.

## TO OUR ADVERTISERS

The July 18 edition of Linn's will be prepared during the week of July 4. Due to the fact that we will be closed independence day on July 4, it will provide one day less for the preparation of advertising copy. It will be appreciated if advertisers will send their copy earlier than usual for this July 18 edition.

## Venezuela Plans Nine Airmails In UPU Set

Nine airmail stamps are to be issued by Venezuela as its tribute to the 75th anniversary of the Universal Postal Union.

The stamps which are to have a first day of issue on October 9 range in value from 5 centavos to 1 Bolivar.

Denominations and quantities to be printed of each value are as follows: 5c (500,000); 10c (1,000,000); 15c (500,000); 25c (250,000); 30c (250,000); 50c (500,000); 60c (500,000); 60c (500,000); 90c (250,000); and 1 Bolivar (250,000).

From the figures above it can be seen that there will be a total of 250,000 possible complete sets of the stamps. That should certainly be ample for the requirements of all collectors.

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King") to mark the fiftieth anniversary  
of his death.CANADA—The four current low  
values which have been issued  
in coils since 1943, perforated  
8 vertically, are now coming  
through perforated 9½ vertically.CZECHOSLOVAKIA—A three-  
value set, marking the new  
five-year plan, has been received.  
Denominations, colors and  
subjects are: 1½ kcs. green,  
showing a woman agricultural  
worker; 3 kcs. maroon, a group  
of workers gathered around the  
emblems of the new republic;  
and a 5 kcs. blue, showing a  
worker with a large wrench,  
tightening bolts.FRENCH MOROCCO—A semi-  
postal stamp, just received,  
marks "The Day of the Stamp."  
The denomination is 10fr. plus  
5fr., bearing the dates 1899-  
1949. The ornate border is in  
dark red-brown and the central  
design is in red, portraying an  
Arab horseman.GERMANY—An eleven-value set  
just received, for use in the  
Western Zone of Berlin, pic-  
tures well-known landmarks of  
the town. The 1pf. gray, which  
we listed here last month as a  
single stamp, pictures the  
Brandenburg Gate; the 4pf. yellow  
brown, shows Schoenberg;  
the 5pf. blue green, shows Teg-  
el Schloss; 6pf. purple, shows  
the Reichstag building; 8pf. red-  
dish orange, is the same as the  
4pf.; the 10 pf. yellow green,  
shows a view of Kleistpark; the  
25 pf. orange yellow, has the  
same design as the 5pf.; the  
40pf. maroon, has the same de-  
sign as the 4pf.; the 60pf. lake,  
shows the national galleries; the  
90pf. blue, shows a High School;  
and the same illustration is used  
on the 90pf. green. This cov-  
ers all the values received at  
this writing, but additional  
values are to be expected.ITALY—A new 20 lire, black,  
shows the statue of Mazzini  
and the date 2-6-1949.ITALY—A 20 lire brown, honor-  
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P., shows a worker watching a  
ship coming in. Denominations  
are: 5 lire, green; 15 lire, pur-  
ple; and 20 lire, brown.POLAND—Two additional values  
have been received to the Bierut  
set. These are a 3z. green, and  
a 10z. purple.POLAND—A three-value set,  
honoring Socialism, has been  
issued. Denominations are: 3z.  
red, showing a group of four  
workers, apparently a Pole, a  
Russian, an Oriental, and a  
Negro; a 5z. blue, showing a  
worker holding a hammer aloft;  
and 15z. yellow green, showing  
three workers.SAN MARINO—A set, honoring  
Garibaldi, is in preparation.  
Further details will be given  
here when available.SPAIN—A 20c, purple, showing a  
large head of Franco in profile  
has been added to the regular  
postage series?

## FIRST DAY NEWS

Some readers have inquired  
about the non-appearance of  
the box which usually appears  
in this space giving the news  
about impending issues. It  
has not appeared because  
there are no new stamps an-  
nounced to be issued at this  
time. It will be inserted im-  
mediately when the Post Of-  
fice Department releases such  
news.Re-Issue Book On  
Stamp CollectingBack in 1935, Prescott H. Thorpe  
wrote a book, "How To Build A  
Stamp Collection" which was well  
received by collectors, especially  
those who were not too far along  
in the hobby.This book has now been re-  
issued by Jacques Minkus of Gim-  
bels Stamp Department.Mr. Thorpe in aiding the bud-  
ding stamp collector starts with  
fundamentals which he explains  
in an easily readable manner. He  
shows how to intelligently start  
a stamp collection and to progress  
with it in the right direction.While the book is designed chief-  
ly for the beginner, the advanced  
collector will find items of inter-  
est in its pages. There are 116  
pages cloth bound with illustra-  
tions at a price of \$1.98. The book  
is for sale at Gimbels Stamp de-  
partments in New York and Phil-  
adelphia.Dealers interested in handling  
the book should apply to Jacques  
Minkus, 134 W. 32nd St., New  
York 1, N.Y.Members Specialize  
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gion and religious subjects in  
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recent edition of the Saturday  
Evening Post many collectors  
have been curious as to the  
stamps which were counterfeited.Through the courtesy of Edwin  
Mueller the following list is of-  
fered. It notes the Scott Catalog  
numbers of the stamps which  
Sperati claims to have forged.  
The numbers not inclosed by pa-  
ratheses are the ones which have  
actually been seen by Mr. Muel-  
ler, those inclosed are the ones  
which have been reported to him  
as existing.UNITED STATES #7:  
Postmaster Stamps New York #9X1. Pre-  
vidences #10X1:  
Confederate state #9  
Hawaii #20, 23 (#11, 18, 14, 16, 17, 18,  
24)BRITISH EMPIRE  
Great Britain #56  
Brit. Columbia and Vancouver Is. #3 (#5)  
Ceylon #120 (#24, 95, 130A)  
Gibraltar #27  
Gold Coast #24 (#26)  
Hongkong #23  
Lagos #33, 35, 37  
Malta #2 (#1)  
Mauritius #62  
Montserrat #9 (#4)  
Newfoundland #4, 7, 9, 12, 13, 18, (#6,  
10, 14, 21, 23)Sierra Leone #2a (#2, 3, 4, 5, 17)  
LATIN AMERICA  
Argentina #7, 175  
—Buenos Aires #2, 3, 3a, 4, 5, 5a, 6, 7,  
7d, 9 (#1, 10, 11, 12, 13)  
Bolivia #4, 14  
Brazil #2  
Colombia #13 (#14, 15, 19, 29)  
—Antioquia #2  
Paraguay #3  
Uruguay #1, 1a, 2, 2a, 3, 3a, 4, 4c, 5,  
5a, 6, 6b, 8, 9, 9a, 10, 12, 14, 15,  
16, 17 (#3B, 18, 19, 20, 21)  
FRANCE #8a, 9, 9a, 9b, 15 (tete-beche)  
21, 21a.SWITZERLAND #4, 8, 9, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16  
(#5, 10, 11)  
SPAIN #3, 4, 5, 7, 8, 9, 9a, 10, 10a,  
11, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 20, 21, 22,  
23, 24, 27, 29, 30, 33, 32, 64, 68, 77,  
78, 84, 91, 92, 170, 171, 173, 188, 189,  
199, 200, 209, 210, 220, 221, 240, 241 (#31,  
69a, 70, 71)OLD GERMAN STATES  
Baden #24  
Bavaria #1, 1a, 1b  
Bremen #1, 2, 3, 4, 4a  
Brunswick #2, 3 (#10, 11)  
Hanover #17, 18, 24 (#16)  
Lubeck #3b  
Mecklenburg-Schwerin #3  
Oldenburg #4, 5, 7, 8, 8, 10, 12, 13,  
14, 15 (#11)  
Saxony #1, 1a, 14 (#2)  
Wurttemberg #6, 69 (#70)  
OLD ITALIAN STATES  
Parma #16 (#12)  
Roman States #13, 14  
Sardinia #1, 3, 10f, 11j, 12g  
Tuscany #2, 18 (#1, 11)  
Two Sicilies #9, 9a, 10, 15, 16, 17, 18,  
22 (#21)OTHER EUROPEAN STATES  
Austria #P2, P3, P4 (#P1a)  
Belgium #39, 39a  
Congo #13  
Finland #11  
Greece #1  
Hungary #1, 2, 5  
Luxembourg #11 (#24)  
Philippines #2, 6, 16, 17 (#44)  
Porto Rico #130  
Romania #3, 10 (#5, 7, 8, 14b, 18b, 21b)  
Russia #3, 10 (5, 7)  
Russia Offices in Turkey #2 (#3)  
Sweden #1, 1a, 5, 15Will Broadcast  
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vorable comment. Five special  
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program in which President Hil  
F. Best will interview various of-  
ficers of the SPA over the air.  
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of the Stamp Club of the Air  
heard each Sunday afternoon from  
Detroit over Radio Station WJLB  
AM and FM at three o'clock. This  
successful show which Best di-  
rects is an actual stamp club  
which has been meeting since  
last year.The demand for the exhibition  
prospectus is great—Joseph M.  
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No doubt many of you are going to think about stamps as you make your vacation trips this year. Some will be able to call on their favorite dealer while others will perhaps call on dealers in the towns in which they might be visiting.  
In order to make things easier for both of you, the dealer and you, it is an excellent idea to have a check list of those stamps you are interested in buying for your collection. On your check list, have the catalog number, and the current catalog value and the general average price at which the stamp is selling.  
That way you are equipped with information which will save time and regrets for everyone concerned. The dealer will recognize you as an experienced stamp fan and you will find him more cooperative and willing to show you things if you can tell him what you are interested in.  
Don't walk in and say, "I want to see some stamps." The dealer will shudder and mutter under his breath, "Oh Lord in what way have I offended Thy grace to deserve a break such as this?"

No vacation here; the usual two questions coming up.  
1. Which was the first 8c post-stamp issued?  
2. What was the last stamp printed by one of the Bank Note Companies prior to 1894 when the Bureau of Engraving and Printing took over the job?

There is quite a bit of activity afoot to have a stamp issued in 1950 for the 50th anniversary of the death of Casey Jones, the engineer who was killed at Vaughan, Miss. on April 30, 1900.  
Most of the older generation will remember the popularity of the Casey Jones songs and verses which told of the wreck of the locomotive at the time Casey Jones was at the throttle. Casey started his railroading on the Gulf, Mobile and Ohio (GM & O) and finished it on the Illinois Central.  
There's one now for you railroad stamp fans!

Data relative to the first days of two of the latest commems was issued by the Post Office Department.  
The Alexandria 6c commemorative airmail stamp issued on May 11 appeared on 386,717 first day covers—there were 801,671 stamps sold for a value of \$48,100.  
There were 441,802 of the Annapolis first day covers on May 23, and 910,632 stamps sold having a value of \$27,318.

A nice hot summer day is just about as good as any to tell this actual experience of two of Uncle Sam's mail carriers in the winter of 1920. It is one of those stories about a Star Route which I threatened you with several columns ago.  
The route extended from the city of Sandusky, Ohio to several of the islands in Lake Erie. In the mild seasons of the year, the mail was delivered by boat. In the winter time, it was delivered by a combination of boat and walking depending on whether the ice was solid or was broken up.  
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brothers, who carried the mail on that route were caught in a violent snow storm and running ice in making their rounds. They were carried down the lake by the resistless force of a drift in which they had become wedged.

Their plight was not unobserved since several of the islands had witnesses on their shores anxiously watching the impending tragedy. The men were given up for lost.

But through some intrepid maneuvering on the part of several boat crews, the brothers were finally rescued.

They were in an exhausted condition and so completely covered and weighted down with ice as to be absolutely helpless. Their caps were frozen fast to their heads and their clothes so loaded with ice that the men were unable to bend.

Once inside, it was necessary to cut, chop and pull the ice covered clothing from them. When they were finally freed from their iced sheaths, it was found that besides the great chunks of ice which still adhered to the clothing, nearly two bushels of it remained to be swept off the floor!

Here we go again, snooping, that is. This time a reader wants to know, "Why the heck the Arbor Day stamp had its first day at Nebraska City, Nebraska."

Of course, that is any easy one to answer. It was on account of Julius Sterling Morton.

So before you scream, "Who was this Julius Sterling Morton," let's put on our "story behind the stamp hunting clothes" and check the records.

To begin with, few collectors know that the Arbor Day stamp besides being issued for the 60th anniversary of the first Arbor Day, was also intended to commemorate the 100th anniversary of the birth of the above named Morton.

The first Arbor Day was celebrated and observed in Nebraska in 1872. The day was set aside by the Nebraska Legislature after Morton, a member of the Nebraska State Board of Agriculture, had sold it on the merits of a yearly planting of trees to replace those cut down, and also to help conserve the soil in barren areas.

Even back in 1872, Morton saw the advantage of using trees to curtail the loss of top soil through the violent dust storms and washing by unchecked rains.

Morton was born at Adams, Jefferson County, New York in 1832. Several years after his birth, the family moved to Michigan. In 1850 he enrolled at the University of Michigan, but completed his education at Union College, graduating in 1854.

The next year he settled in Nebraska, first at Bellevue and later at Nebraska City where he founded and edited the Nebraska City News, the first newspaper to be established in the state.

He served in the Nebraska Territorial Legislature in 1856 and 1857, and in 1858 was appointed Secretary of the Territory by President Buchanan. A few months later he became the acting governor. Failing in his try to be elected governor in 1866, he retired from politics until 1881 when he again ran for the same office.

In 1893, he became a member of the cabinet of President Cleveland as Secretary of Agriculture which he held until 1897. In 1901 President McKinley appointed him as one of the members of the

Louisiana Purchase Exposition. His death occurred the next year in 1902, the country losing one of its greatest champions of re-forestation.  
It had been Julius Sterling Morton's idea to have the program carried out by children, with adult assistance of course, but the value of his suggestions were so important that the grown-ups joined the children in helping to increase the forest resources of this country. The first official Arbor Day was celebrated on April 10, 1872 in Nebraska which is a holiday there. It was on that day the children of that state planted over one million trees which 77 years later, in 1949, should have added immeasurably to the natural resources of the state of Nebraska and of the United States of America as well!

1. It was the 8c value of the Columbian series which appeared on March 3, 1893. The 8c value of the 1890 series appeared on March 21, 1893.  
2. The last stamp printed outside the Bureau prior to its taking over in 1894 was the 8c value of the 1890 issue noted above.

## Issue Warning On Fake Flight Covers

Collectors of special flight material are being warned by the Penny Black Stamp Co. of New York City of two recent forgeries which they have found.

Both are foreign covers, the first of which is to have originated in Italy on the occasion of a first rocket flight. According to wording on the cover, the flight is dated May 9, 1948 and took place between Albenga and San Remo, Italy.

The special cachet, the "Rocket Label" and the cancellation are all forgeries. Nevertheless the stamps used are genuine enough, being the 4 and 8 Lire values of the Risorgimento issue.

The second cover is one which is said to have been carried on an inaugural flight, August 26, 1948 from Milan to New York City, by the Quadrimotore BE 308.

On that cover the following are the forgeries:—The special label, the registration mark, the ambulant stamp cancellation, "45 Milan-Genoa" and the back stamp at the New York Airmail Field.

Neither of these special flights have ever taken place which fact makes both of the covers "Fakes." Collectors can use the information above to identify such material and avoid it.

## Dates For July Meeting Of Expert Committee

The next meeting of the Expert Committee of the Philatelic Foundation, 22 E. 35th St., New York 16, N. Y. will be held on July 11.

Material for consideration must be in the hands of the committee by July 1.

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## This Matter Of Want Lists

We have now had several weeks in which to try out our new Wanted to Buy column and see if it will be practical. There are many reasons why it can not work successfully and many reasons why it can. We anticipate having to work with this for a couple months before we can get all the kinks out of it. In the first place the object of the column is to help serious collectors who are trying to fill in certain hard to find items. These are naturally higher priced items and we do not propose to let this list be used for people who are too lazy to write a half dozen dealers and try to find many common or ordinary sets or singles that they want. The object of the list is to help the real collector who has been unable to find certain hard to find items that he wants to buy to round out his collection. We can not check every list and see whether the stamps are common or high priced, we have not time to do that but we must trust to you readers to be fair with us and not attempt to use this as a bit of free advertising to ask for stamps that you ought to be able to buy from some of the bigger dealers. On the other hand we know that want lists are something that many dealers dislike and they are also something that about 99 out of every 100 people who claim to be stamp dealers, have no business looking at. For not one in 100 of those who pose as stamp dealers have a stock of the world that is big enough and complete enough to permit them to pose as being able to fill want lists. The problem therefore is for us to learn which dealers do have such a stock.

If dealers who have a stock which is full enough that they can honestly pose as being able to fill want lists, we would be glad to have such dealers write us and give us a thorough statement as to their ability in this field. We also recognize that there are dealers who may have very thorough stocks of just certain countries and who are able to handle lists of such countries. We also ask that these dealers will supply us with information as to their special field and tell us what they can do in certain lines. We are not adverse to giving some free advertising to such dealers. We realize that if we can put the collector in touch with the parties who can fill their wants that we are doing a service to our readers as well as to our advertising patrons. That is our object. So Mr. Dealer if you can tackle a general want list or a list of any special countries or group of countries, please let us know and we will be glad to publish that information for you in the hope that we can help both you and the collector.

Our listing is growing from week to week. We have already helped over fifty collectors find things they wanted and have thus made some sales for various dealers and we hope that these dealers will make regular customers out of these people.

At the rate the list is growing we are going to have to kill some of the earlier wants that are listed now. Therefore we ask every dealer who has a stock worthy of the time it requires to check this list to look over the list and try to help us wash up a number of these earlier listings. We either have got to have offers of these stamps or we will remove them from the listings.

In the future we will refuse to list anything except by Scott numbers or by any other recognized catalogue. Lots requiring description will not be listed. Read the rules at the top of the column and follow them carefully.

One lady in the east sent us about a dozen listings a month ago. Most of them looked like simple items and we listed them. Many of them have been found for her. She has now sent us another lot of listings all of which look like items that should be easily found. In sending this list she also sent us about a dozen Postal Cards and failed to put her name and address on the face of them, expecting us to address the cards. Now please, if you want this service do not ask us to do any more work on it than is necessary. It takes a lot of our time and we certainly will not give more than is necessary. If you have not time to address your own cards, then do not send wants. We first took this list of wants and sent it to a New York dealer whom we believe should be able to fill most of the wants. We just want to find out if people are asking us to do their work for them or not. When the list comes back from New York we will return it to the party with her unaddressed cards and ask her to address them for us. We will also know if the list of wants is one that could have been filled by a little effort on her part. We must insist that the wants you send are things that you have been unable to get after making a real effort on your own part, by asking several different dealers for the stamps.

## First Edition Of Club Bulletin Published

"News Peps" is the name of the new official bulletin of the North Eastern Pennsylvania Philatelic Society. The June issue was the first of what is hoped to be a long line of club bulletins.

William J. Ide, Jr. is the editor, with Maurice Goldstein assisting him.

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(20) Jugoslav B138-41  
(21) Montenegro B131-10  
(22) San Marino #352-63  
(26) Turkey #RA8-38  
(27) Ecuador #2, 4, 5, original, reprint or counterfeit  
(28) Seychelles #144, postally used.  
(29) Nyassaland Prot. #7, postally used.  
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(31) Brazil #100 to 111  
(32) Australia #100 to 103, FDC.  
(33) Gambia #138A, FDC.  
(34) Bermuda #130, FDC.  
(41) Barbados #180, FDC.  
(42) Canada, E2, E3, E4, E5, E6, all FDC.  
(44) U. S. #831, FDC \* Crosby or Far-num cover.  
(47) U. S. 599 and 688, first and last strip of four from coil with paper attached.  
(48) U. S. 294, single strip or block with plate number 1233 also 1234.  
(49) U. S. #294 FDC.  
(50) Invert center foreign covers.  
(52) Hungary #3, 4, 5 also P1 to 5  
(54) U. S. #QEA, Plate # four.  
(59) U. S. U. Vending Type I, Lincoln.  
(60) U. S. Brinkoff Type II, 2a Lincoln #368 mint pair.  
(61) U. S. #367 FDC.  
(62) Russia, post war cylinder numbers, from sheets with numerals on bottom margins.  
(63) U. S. #236 used  
(64) U. S. #299 used  
(65) U. S. #F1 used  
(66) U. S. #Q10 used  
(67) Venezuela C80, mint.  
(68) France #58, used in quantity.  
(72) Australia #13 used.  
(75) Australia #59 used.  
(76) Australia #101 used.  
(79) Brazil, Sanabria #403 mint.  
(80) Colombia, Sanabria 104, 106.  
(85) Central Lithuania #3.  
(87) Spain C89.  
(88) Turkey #61.  
(90) Guatemala 200 used.  
(98) Guatemala 54A.  
(99) Guatemala 102.  
(100) Argentina 4A.  
(101) Argentina 4B.  
(102) U. S. Q9, 10, 14, 18 used on first class mail.  
(103) Austria #25 mint  
(104) Brazil 463A.  
(105) Peru 251 and O1.  
(107) Colombia 386, 388A, 388, 389A, RA30.  
(108) Cover cancelled Reville or Reville, N. J.  
(109) U. S. #987 unusual cachets FDC  
(110) Russia 28A mint  
(111) Russia 28B mint  
(112) Russia 615A mint.  
(114) Russia 616A mint.  
(115) Russia 617A mint.  
(117) U. S. 5c air coil on FDC with plate number.  
(121) Middletown-New York, H. P. O. cover, any date.  
(124) Natl. T. B. Seals 1927-8-9 tied on envelopes in year of issue.  
(125) Mexico-Yucatan #10 &  
(126) U. S. PS14, WS12 single and pair and WS13.  
(127) France #58 in quantity.  
(128) U. S. Stampless cover Pmkd. Tuckerton, N. J.  
(129) U. S. Stampless cover Pmkd. Onacock, Va.  
(130) U. S. #806 E. E. Print on FDC 3/29/35.  
(131) U. S. Western Stampless or with #11, 26, 65 or 114.  
(132) Br. Guiana #234 upright wmk.  
(133) S. W. Africa #233 mint pair.  
(134) Sweden 23.  
(135) Sweden 23b.  
(136) 19th Century Alabama covers.  
(137) U. S. E4, E8 superb mint.  
(138) U. S. Bicent. Envc. 3c, 4c, FDC.  
(139) U. S. Air mail cover Pmkd. Indianapolis during Natl. Air Mail Week, Nov. 27-Oct. 2 1946.  
(140) Albania 130, 261-267, 300-4, 301-4  
(141) Brazil 390, 406, 417  
(142) Andorra, Spanish issue #3  
(143) Brunel 30, 61  
(145) Brazil 177a and 179a coils in pairs or longer.  
(146) New S. Wales, embossed stamped  
(147) Belgium J39A, B  
(148) Persia O88 used.  
(149) Spain, Off. in Morocco RA4-7, RA8-13, E10  
(150) Trans Jordan J39, 40, 41  
(151) Tunis 98B used or  
(152) Somaliland Prot. #105  
(153) Macao #309-12 mint or used.  
(155) Afghanistan 330A, 334 used or  
(156) Algeria J26, 28-30  
(157) Andorra 89A, 319-20  
(158) Fr. Eq. Afr. #90  
(159) Barbados #109 sgl. and B mint.  
(160) Puerto Rico 133, sgl. and B mint.  
(161) Central Lithuania 43 and 53.  
(162) Turkey B61, B62.  
(163) Shanghai 144 thru 163.  
(164) Japan #1 to 54, used blocks.  
(165) Japan 27B mint or used.  
(166) U. S. Booklet pane #494 position M and N.  
(167) U. S. #328 top strip of 6 or 12 with arrow, imp. and Pl. #.

- (168) U. S. #581, FDC.  
(169) U. S. #582, FDC.  
(170) U. S. #583, FDC.  
(171) U. S. #587, FDC.  
(172) U. S. #589, FDC.  
(173) U. S. C10a, booklet pane.  
(174) Brazil #633a mint.  
(175) Dom. Repub. #57-61, imperf.  
(176) Poland #134a mint.  
(177) Ukraine #1  
(178) U. S. WX-3c; WX-3f; WX-3g; WX-19c; WX-21f; WX-22b; WX-22i WX-22k; WX-22l; WX-22m; WX-26b; WX-35c; WX-53a.  
(179) U. S. RV-24; RV-36; RV-38.  
(180) Egypt #40.  
(181) India #90.  
(182) India, Jaipur #39.  
(183) Iraq #86.  
(184) Canada #40 used.  
(185) Gr Britain #39 or any cancelled B64.

## READ THE RULES

Listings will only be made for those who read the rules above and follow them to the letter. We must also ask that you do not list very cheap stamps for no dealer is going to spend time notifying us about a 10c stamp that he can supply, so be sensible, this column is for scarce stamps and not for the purpose of saving you the trouble of writing to a dealer. We are using every effort to try to make this column a good one and hope to succeed but we must have your sincere cooperation.

This week under (178) we list a lot of rare T. B. Seals. If you have a stock of these try to check this list as they are high catalog items.

We are eliminating about 30 items offered last week all of which have been supplied and are adding about 25 new ones. Please check this complete list. Several that have been here for three or four weeks have not been supplied and we will eliminate them next week if not offered.

## Compiles Check List Of Red Cross Stamps

A check-list of Red Cross postage stamps of the world has just been compiled by the American Red Cross for the convenience of topical collectors who may wish to form a collection of these issues.

Comprising nearly a thousand varieties from 105 stamp-issuing governments, the check-list is the most complete and up to date yet made of Red Cross stamps. It was prepared by the American Red Cross in cooperation with Mrs. Catherine L. Manning, acting Curator, Division of Philately, Smithsonian Institution, and James Waldo Fawcett, Stamp Editor of the Washington Evening Star. It is based on the Standard Postage Stamp Catalogue of 1949 published by Scott Publications, Inc.

Red Cross postage stamps noted in the list include regular commemorative and air post issues, regular and air post semi-postals, special delivery stamps, postal tax and postal tax due stamps, and franchise stamps. They range in denomination from the five centime of France to the ten dollar of North Borneo and in catalogue value from two cents to two hundred dollars.

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278	1895	.....	20.00 23.50
311	1902	.....	1.75 2.15
312	1902	.....	12.50 15.00
313	1902	.....	32.50 37.50
342	1909 (Prec.)	.....	1.95 2.50
423	1912 (Prec.)	.....	1.95 2.50
478	1916	.....	.70 .85
524	1918	.....	1.50 1.85
547	1918	.....	1.40 1.75
572	1922	.....	.45 .55
573	1922	.....	.75 .85
823	1928	.....	.35 .50
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**MOROCCO TANGIER.** The British Post Office recently disclosed the numbers sold of the Tangier and Morocco Agencies overprints of the British Silver Wedding and Olympic Games stamps. The figures which follow should cause most collectors to fill in any missing sets now. Here are the official figures.

Tangier, Silver Wedding:—  
2½d—192, 513; £1—24, 102.  
Olympic Games:—2½d—101, 965; 3d—101, 638; 6d—101, 175; 1/- 96, 190.

Morocco Agencies, Silver Wedding:—25c—411, 439; 45Pi.—26,033.

Olympic Games:—25c—107, 309; 30c—100,030; 60c—94, 278; 1.20P—93, 304.

These numbers indicate that the high values and complete sets should become scarce items. While low supplies do not always result in rise in value, the Morocco Agencies are popular and these sets should be among the best issues of 1948.

**NEW ZEALAND.** The Health stamps of New Zealand issued every year beginning in 1929, have been very popular & have helped increase the popularity of all New Zealand stamps.

The designs have been attractive and the rapid increase in price for these health stamps has caused collectors to regard them as a good investment. It was always understood that each year all remainders (if any) were destroyed.

The N. Z. post office department recently announced that remainders of the 1945 Peter Pan health issue will be used to frank letters posted at the official opening of the Pakuranga Health Camp. When figures were released for these 1945 stamps, it was shown that nearly 4,000,000 sets had been sold but nothing was said about any remainders.

If the New Zealand post office still has substantial remainders of any of the earlier and rarer issues, there is always the possibility that these remainders may some day be offered for sale. In such an event present prices could not be long maintained, and New Zealand stamps will lose a great deal of their present popularity.

The announcement states that two special date stamps are being prepared for this event and it is hoped that the stamps released for the Pakuranga Health Camp will not be sold in mint condition without some distinctive marking or overprint.

**PAPUA.** There were two printings of the 1930 one shilling air mail stamp (Scott's C4), and according to Sanabria the numbers issued are as follows.

Ash printing 15,000.

Harrison printing 2,000.

Scott's catalogue prices this stamp at \$1.25 and makes no mention of the different printings. Gibbons' London catalogue prices the Ash printing at 6 shillings or about \$1.20 and the Harrison printing at 27 shillings 6 pence or about \$5.50.

In the Ash printing, the lines of the background are broken. In the Harrison printing the lines in the background are clear.

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## A Listing Of The Canada OHMS Stamps

by H. M. Friedman

Nearly every stamp fan at some time or another in his collecting career comes across a stamp of Canada which is perforated with the initials "OHMS." Those who have been interested in the stamps of the British Empire will recognize such copies for what they are, an Official stamp.

The letters OHMS signify On His Majesty's Service and are to be used by official departments of the government.

In order to keep a close tab on the mailing of various government agencies and departments, official stamps must be requisitioned from the Post Office Department by each department. The use of the stamps also identifies each piece on which they appear as government mail, and of course any misuse of the stamps can be spotted easily.

A list of such stamps is of interest to any number of collectors of Canadian stamps. The one which follows, and which is thought to be nearly complete was compiled by F. Walter Pollock, an outstanding authority on the stamps of Canada.

It is important to note that all OHMS perforations prior to 1939 were unofficial as all such were applied prior to the Order of Council in 1939.

This Order of Council came into being on March 28, 1939, when the Treasury Board ruled that on and after June 30, 1939 all stamps used by government departments throughout Canada should be perforated OHMS and further, "the Post Office department is to make arrangements required to provide that all stamps sold to the Government departments are perforated with the letters OHMS."

In this list, the number in parenthesis is the Scott Catalog number and the succeeding 4 and 5 denote the four hole and five hole perforations. All four hole perforations are official.

10c	1935	(223) 4
13c	1935	(224) 5
50c	1935	(226) 4-5
3c	Coronation	(237) 5
1c	1937	(231) 4-5
2c	1937	(232) 4-5
3c	1937	(233) 4-5
4c	1937	(234) 4-5
5c	1937	(235) 4-5
8c	1937	(236) 4-5
10c	1938	(241) 4-5
10c	1938	(241A) 4-5
13c	1938	(242) 4-5
20c	1938	(243) 4-5
50c	1938	(244) 4
1c	1938	(245) 4
1c	Royal Visit	(246) 4-5
2c	"	(247) 4
3c	"	(248) 4-5
War Effort	(249-62) 4	
Victory and Peace	(268-73) 4	
5c A.P. 1928	(C1) 4	
6c A.P. 1938	(C6) 4-5	
6c A.P. 1942	(C7) 4	
7c A.P. 1943	(C8) 4	
7c A.P. 1946	(C9) 4	
All Special Delivery		
Air Post (CE1-CE4)	4	
10c on 20c S.D.	(E9) 4	
10c S.D. 1939	(E7) 4	
10c S.D. 1942	(E10) 4	
10c S.D. 1946	(E11) 4	

The following items were unofficially perforated prior to 1939, and all made on the five hole perforator.

1c	1922	(105)
2c	1922	(107)
3c	1918	(108)
3c	1923	(109)
4c	1922	(110)
5c	1922	(112)
7c	1912	(113)
8c	1925	(115)
10c	1922	(117)
10c	1925	(118)
20c	1912	(119)
50c	1912	(120)
\$1.	1923	(122)
20c	Hist.	(148)
1c	Confed.	(141)
2c	Confed.	(142)
3c	Confed.	(143)
5c	Confed.	(144)
1c	1928	(149)
2c	1928	(150)
5c	1928	(153)
10c	1928	(155)
20c	1929	(157)
50c	1929	(158)
\$1.	1929	(159)
1c	1930 (163 and b)	
2c	1930 (165 and a)	
3c	1931	(167)
5c	1930	(170)
10c	1930	(173)
3c on 2c	1932	(191)

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10c	1931	(190)
13c	1932	(201)
20c	1930	(175)
50c	1930	(176)
\$1.	1930	(177)
3c	Conf.	(192)
5c	Conf.	(193)
1c	1932	(195)
2c	1932	(196)
3c	1932	(197)
5c	1932	(199)
5c	Postal Un.	(202)
20c	Exhib.	(203)
10c	Loyalist	(209)
6c	A. P. 1935	(C5)



BY KENNETH M. GIERHART  
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### RED PRECANCELS

The monthly list showing Bureau precancels shipped and supplemental to the Catalog both are showing now the effects of the new rates that went into effect in January.

Out of 115 items listed since the release of the last Bureau catalog, 48 are of the 2c denomination. This is over 40% of the total. So some time ago when I said our collections would be turning red I don't think I was so far wrong.

With the 1c values still pretty good we should be right in style till Xmas time. A row of green stamps then a row of red ones. We note them showing up in City Types too.

On the cumulative list we note the 2c sheet stamp bureau and in a sales book we note a city type from the same place, Calais Maine. One wonders if the 2c city type was just a fill in or if there is a bale of them like the 1½c.

I would say take a gamble on the 2c city type but don't pay too much because, well, from that place it pays to be cautious. I am going to buy a few but not many so if they eventually sell for a penny, so what.

### NOTES

The new OHIO types. Buckland in U-120 N. This should be type 3 from Buckland. Noted on a 1½c President.

Groveport in a typeset type on a 2c President. This will be type 2 from Groveport.

Here are some commemoratives. Beautiful things but oft times so unnecessary. Brookston, Ind. on the 3c Navy (lightblue. South Otselic, N. Y. on the Mississippi; Fort Jennings on the Railroad Commem.; Laurel, Mont. on a Washington and Lee; Zanesville, Ind. on a 3c Army (Olive); Eau Claire, Mich. on a 3c Navy; Some Double Lines to check in that Double Line catalog you just bought. Jamestown N. Y. U-15, 10c Pres. invt.; Akron, O. U-14, 9c nor. dbl; Evansville, Ind. U-15, 10c and 25c Pres.; Richmond, Ind. U-14, 2c War invt.; Terre Haute, Ind. U-14A, 12c 1931, nor. dbl.

## Takes Two Weeks Off For Marriage And Honeymoon

Collectors who have sent orders for stamps or other philatelic material or supplies to Frank Herget of Buffalo, N. Y. are asked to be patient for the next two weeks. Mr. Herget will be absent from his office from June 24 to July 6.

The reason, an important one, is his marriage on June 25 to Flora Helen Worster of Buffalo.

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**HONOR RUSSIAN POET.** Two souvenir sheets, one perf, the other imperf but with identical designs were issued by Hungary on June 6 to commemorate the 150th anniversary of the Russian poet, Alexander Sergeyevich Pushkin. The sheets which are small in size depict the poet with pen in hand while in the background his liberal views are symbolized by a peasant breaking chains. The stamps have a face value of 1 plus 1 Forint, are a magenta color. Under each of the stamps in red are shown a man and woman advancing with a flag and with an excerpt from one of Pushkin's poems. A stamp in rose red honoring Pushkin but not in a souvenir sheet was issued at the same time. It has the same face value and is shown in the lower right hand corner of the above cover. The cover was received through the courtesy of Dr. Z. Palotas, P. O. Box 28, Pecs, Hungary.

**THE CROSS AND THE STAMP**  
 by Frank A. Gould

Webster lists twenty designs of the cross each having its own significance. The three crosses that concern us most, in regard to their use on the postage stamp, are the Latin Cross, the Cross of Lorraine and the Greek Cross.

First: The Latin Cross had its origin in Rome where it was first used for the punishment of malefactors by crucifying them.

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A Latin Cross appears on the 9d value of the New Zealand Peace set.

In Saint Paul's letter to the Galatians we read: "But God forbid that I should glory save in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ." Likewise Christians throughout the ages have used the cross as a symbol of their faith.

The interesting and familiar story of "Christ of the Andes," which is pictured on the Argentine stamp (Scott A #124) calls to mind that dramatic story of the bitter quarrel of Argentina and Chile which lasted more than fifty years, over the possession of Patagonia.

Finally, in 1903 King Edward VII of England prevailed upon the two nations to agree to divide the territory between the two countries, and the King's request was obeyed.

The women of Buenos Aires and Santiago were overjoyed with the ceasing of hostilities and demonstrated by buying the cannon of the wars. The metal from this was moulded into the statue "The Christ of the Andes."

The statue was hauled up the mountains as far as possible by the aid of mules, then thousands of soldiers and sailors from Argentina and Chile hauled it where it now stands as a great dramatic monument of peace, 12,000 feet above sea level in Upsallata Pass.

At the base of the statue for all travellers to read is the inscription "Sooner shall these mountains crumble into dust than the Argentines and Chileans break the peace sworn at the feet of Christ the Redeemer." So far they have kept the faith.

The Latin Cross on stamps is commemorative of Christianity and Peace.

We find the cross on the stamps of many countries. Hungary has a set that is filled with human interest. An exquisite story is told on the stamps Scott #511-#524 commemorating the nine hundredth anniversary of the death of Saint Stephen. This set not only portrays the history of Hungary, but has also a high regard for the Christian religion.

Other Hungarian stamps show Saint Stephen, first King of Hungary, kneeling before the Madonna and Child, offering his crown.

Second: The Greek Cross is formed with equal arms. This cross is found on the stamps of many countries as well as the flags of several nations. The following story centers on the Swiss flag with its white cross on a red field and shows how the flag and emblem of the Red Cross Society came into being.

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In 1864, through the efforts of Dunant, delegates from nearly every nation in Europe met at Geneva to form this humanitarian organization, the Red Cross. For an emblem and flag the Society reversed the colors of Switzerland to the red cross with the white field.

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 "The founder of the Red Cross is alive and in need."  
 This resulted in giving him a life pension from the Empress of Russia, as well as honorary memberships from Societies throughout the world. He was also given the first Nobel Peace Prize in 1901.

In 1931 the United States issued the Red Cross stamp which commemorated the founding of the American Red Cross Society, by the outstanding Civil War nurse Clara Barton, who became the Society's first president.

The Red Cross Society has reached great magnitude in administering to the devastations caused by war, as well as disasters in peace time. The Red Cross is worthy of the many beautiful stamps issued by many nations in honor of this noble cause.

**THE CROSS OF LORRAINE**

The Cross of Lorraine in the Coat of Arms of France

Third: The Cross of Lorraine was made the emblem of the Eastern Branch of the Christian Church as far back as the ninth century. It was adopted by Godfrey, Duke of Lorraine, in 1099 when he was made the Christian Ruler of Jerusalem.

The National Tuberculosis Association secured the registration of the Lorraine Cross as its trade mark in 1920. The cross is used on the Christmas seals in the United States. Although not a postage stamp, these seals are so closely allied to letters and postal service, that they have come into great favor with stamp collectors who consider a stamp collection incomplete without them.

**ESPAÑA**

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Spanish Postal Tax stamp for Tuberculosis work, and a semi-postal stamp of Finland to help finance the anti-tuberculosis activities.

Many countries use the Lorraine Cross on postage stamps and like the Red Cross, are beautiful and interesting. Some of the foreign issues are semi-postal, part of the fund being used in the fight

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**FINANCIAL HELP FOR THE HANDICAPPED.** Iceland issued five semi-postal stamps on June 8, the surtax from which is to be applied to the financial aid of several charities and charitable organizations depicted on the stamps. The 10 plus 10 aur olive green depicts the Children's Hospital; the 35 plus .15 aur red symbolizes the Red Cross Society; the 50 plus 25 aur dark brown pictures anti-tuberculosis work; the 60 plus 25 aur ultramarine calls attention to help for the aged and the 75 plus 25 aur dark gray is to help with the promotion of life saving work. First day covers were received through the courtesy of Jonas Hallgrimsson, Reykjavik, Iceland and Jon Agnars, Reykjavik, Iceland.

## THE CROSS ON STAMPS

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against tuberculosis.

The Lorraine Cross was the insignia of the 79th Division of the United States Army in World War I, also of the 314th Division in World War II.

It is our hope that the symbol of the Cross will always inspire stamp collectors to greater ambition in their hobby.

May the Brotherhood be lead to keep the faith and gain much happiness by the light of the Cross on stamps.

Editors Note: Mr. Gould has what might be termed one of the most representative collections of stamps which have crosses in their designs of those who are interested in such subjects. In searching for write-up material for this collection he came across some of the stories in back of the stamps which he related in the article above. A New Englander, he lives at 246 Riverbend St., Athol, Mass.

## One Year Sentence

On Mail Fraud Charge

A year in prison was the sentence imposed on William A. Sayre, 28, of Dover, N. J. by Judge Thomas F. Meany in United States District Court at Newark, N. J.

Sayre had been charged with using the mails to defraud stamp collectors. He was accused of paying out about \$7000 in worthless checks for collections which he bought.

Another charge which he faces in Wilmington, Del. accuses him of accepting money and mail orders for cigarettes and failing to deliver them.

The accused had already gone into bankruptcy on the cigarette business. The more than 30,000 customers had filed complaints against the defendant, some of them trying to get to the prisoner when he appeared in Federal Court.

According to a news release from Louisville, Ky. a statement has been issued by the State Health Commissioner Dr. Bruce Underwood warning users of carbon tetrachloride to exercise caution.

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1. The little country of Andorra on the French-Spanish border has a stamp showing the Bishop of Urgel, a member of the clergy, holding a temporal office as leader or ruler. Vatican City and Dominican Republic are the only other countries showing similar office holders. (see below)

2. That the United States is not the first to honor the poultry industry, nor Cuba the first to display tobacco. Bulgaria has previously philatelically displayed both subjects. (see below)

3. That the design of Pere Marquette shown on a stamp of the United States has the head taken from a statue and the figure from a painting, by the engraver. (see below)

4. That the colony of Fernando Po has the name of the man who discovered the country on its stamps but no issue shows his likeness.

5. That the Valley Forge issue of this country showing Washington kneeling in prayer is the first and only one of our stamp designs that bears the motto "In God We Trust." It has been on our coins since 1863 but not one person in ten hardly can tell which coins it is on and which it is not.

6. That the Doctor shown on the stamps of Dahomey is seen on the stamps of more colonies than any other physician. (see below)

7. That Congo on its stamps shows a man who travels under an assumed or adopted name by which he is better known. He served on both sides in our Civil War and though knighted has not been postally recognized by his native country. He was the originator of the most obvious remark and presumption in history. (see below)

8. That a stamp was issued to mark the completion of the canalization of the Ohio river showing a river scene but the river shown is the Monongahela and not the Ohio. Some towns along the banks became known as "on the damned Ohio." (see below)

9. That a man shown on the early stamps of Cuba is one of the few kings in all history born after his father's death. (see below)

10. That one of the stamps issued during the depression of the early thirties bears the motto "Come over and help us" but the lettering is so small that evidently foreign nations couldn't read it. (see below)

11. That Bulgaria shows a scene of a king dying in battle. Another similar scene is shown on the stamps of Norway. (see below)

12. That Queen Victoria appears on more stamps than any other ruler because of length of reign and number of colonies.

1. Seen on Scott type A5.

2. Bulgaria type A144 of 1938 (chickens) and type A150 (tobacco).

3. Design of the 1c Trans-Mississippi issue.

6. The man is Dr. Noel Eugene Ballay.

7. Sir Henry Morton Stanley. He is said to have greeted Dr. Livingston after finding him in the jungles of Africa, "Dr. Livingston, I presume."

8. Scott type A200.

9. King Alfonso XIII of Spain.

10. Massachusetts Bay Colony issue.

11. Battle of Varna and the death of Polish King, Vladislav Varnenchik.

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**Three Exhibition Cachets From Canada**

The Canadian Post Office Department will assist in the application of three cachets to the prepared covers of collectors during the month of July.

Events to be noted are the Calgary Exhibition and Stampede, Calgary, Alberta, July 11 to 16; the Edmonton Exhibition, Edmonton, Alberta, July 18 to 23, and the Saskatoon Industrial Exhibition, Saskatoon, Saskatchewan, July 25 to 30.

Collectors are to prepare their covers with the names and the addresses kept well to the right hand side of the envelopes so that an area of approximately 2 1/2 x 3 inches is free on the left for the cachet. Stuffers are to be inserted in each cover.

Covers must bear Canadian postage stamps to cover the first class rate either by surface mail or air. These rates from Canada to the United States are 4c for the first ounce of surface mail, and 7c for the first ounce of airmail.

Those collectors not having Canadian stamps to affix to their covers should forward a Post Office Money Order (No Postal Notes) for the exact amount in Canadian funds, payable to the Receiver General of Canada. The money orders are then to be included with the covers sent to each of the three postmasters of the above named offices to pay for the postage of the covers to be sent from each.

The Canadian Post Office Department points out that cash or checks will not be accepted in payment for stamps.

**COLLECTING CHARITY SEALS**

By Amy Ellen Davis  
4447 Beacon St.  
Chicago 40, Ill.

**1949 Swedish Flag Day**



Illustrated herewith is the 1949 Swedish Flag Day seal. The design shows the Swedish code of laws over which the Swedish flag is flying. In the background in grey is a panoramic scene portraying native life. A farmer is shown plowing at extreme left while far in the rear rises the spires of a church. At the extreme right is a factory building. The flag is, of course, in blue and yellow and the code of laws is in leather-brown and white. Wording in blue.

There were approximately one and one-half million seals printed this year and the designer was Lennart Fagerlund.

**Designers Of Past Issues**

Supplementing the column published in the February 21st issue, it is now possible to list designers of each year's seal. These were as follows:

1916-17 — Gustaf Ankarcrona; 1918 — Lydia Skottsborg; 1919 — Lennart Nyblom; 1920 — Seth Martin; 1921 — Taken from Anders Zorn's "Gustaf Wasa" at Mora; 1922 — Jakob Hagg; 1923 — Seth Martin (from a portrait at Gripsholm's Castle); 1924 — Lennart Nyblom; 1925 — Yvonne Milde; 1926 — Gunnar Hallstrom; 1927 — Lennart Nyblom; 1928 — Eigil Schvab; 1929 — Torsten Schonberg; 1930 — Erik Lindberg; 1931 — Gunnar Hallstrom; 1932 — Elvor Fischer; 1933 — Edwin Ollers; 1934 — Karl Hultstrom; 1935 — Anders Beckman; 1936 — Olle Hjortzberg; 1937 — 38 — Karl Hultstrom; 1939 — Arvid Kallstrom; 1940 — Kerstin Solbrack.

1941 — Gunnar Hallstrom; 1942 — 1944 — Ake Northsberg; 1945 — Hjalmar Straat; 1946 — S. Bolt; 1947 — Henschen; 1948-1949 — Lennart Fagerlund.

**Fox Has New Manager For Retail Department**

Henry G. Trevor, Jr., formerly co-manager of the firm of Spencer Anderson, has joined the organization of John A. Fox, specialist in the postal issues of the United States, its possessions and British America, it was announced today by Mr. Fox's office at 116 Nassau Street, New York.

Widely known in philatelic circles as a student of early American stamps, Mr. Trevor entered the stamp field as a collector. A graduate of Harvard, he was associated with a Wall Street brokerage house until the eventful day he carried the collection of a friend to the late Mr. Anderson's office to offer it for sale. An immediate friendship resulted and a short time later Mr. Trevor joined the Spencer Anderson staff—an association which lasted more than ten years.

In his new affiliation Mr. Trevor's efforts will be concentrated on maintaining the retail department of the business in its present outstanding position.

**May Plate Data Given By Bureau**

Activity at the Bureau of Engraving and Printing as it affected the printing of postage stamps from new plates, or in the numbers assigned to plates to be used at some future date was at a new low for the past few years.

The following are the numbers which were assigned to plates during the month of May:

Presidential 3c regular, 400 subject plates, numbered 24105-6.

Presidential 3c coil, 170 subject plates, numbered 24101-2-3-4.

Presidential 8c regular, 400 subject plate numbered 24107.

The following is a list of the plates which were sent to press and printed from for the first time.

Presidential 3c coil, 170 subject plates, numbered 24019-20.

Presidential 3c regular, 400 subject plates numbered 23951-2, 23959-60, 23971-2, 23914-5.

Annapolis 3c commem, 200 subject plates numbered 24095-6-7-8.

**Phoenix, Arizona Club Invites Collectors**

Collectors in the Phoenix, Arizona area, or those passing through the city are given a cordial invitation by the Phoenix Philatelic Association to meet with them.

The club convenes the first and third Mondays of each month at the Hotel Westward Ho in Phoenix.

Just recently new officers were elected. They were Milo S. James, president; Leo Fleishman and Mrs. Dorothy M. Smith, vice-presidents and Mrs. Emma F. O'Brien, secretary-treasurer.

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were two other short-lived 5c air-  
mails besides the New York Air.  
These were No. C32, the large  
5c air, and No. C33, the small  
5c air.

No. C32 was in use just six  
months when it was replaced by  
No. C33 and then the latter was  
in use just a little under two  
years when the new 6c rate went  
into effect on the first of this  
year.

Insofar as plate number collec-  
tors, are concerned, these two is-  
sues presented several difficult  
positions, in one's efforts, to  
amass complete matched position  
sets.

There were thirty-two plates  
issued for No. C32, a total of 128  
positions and eight plates for No.  
C33 for a total of 32 positions. In  
both instances the last plates used  
have proven to be the most diffi-  
cult to acquire.

This is only logical inasmuch as  
the Bureau of Engraving and  
Printing probably tapered off, in  
printing an issue that will soon  
be replaced.

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valuations will bring many sur-  
prises to those who allowed cer-  
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assume that these valuations are  
stable, with ample proof through  
the medium of specialized mail-  
sales of plate numbers and price-  
lists of the various plate number  
dealers. Of course, as I always  
advocate, hidden or unknown  
stock-piles, of specific positions,  
can materially change the pic-  
ture.

#C32-5c Large Air (DC-4 Sky-  
master) 32PN-128Pos.

23483	.45	.45	23484	.45	.45
23485	.45	.45	23486	.45	.45
23487	.45	.45	23488	.45	.45
23489	.45	.45	23490	.45	.45
23491	.45	.45	23492	.45	.45
23493	.45	.45	23494	.45	.45
23495	.50	.50	23496	.55	.55
23497	.60	.60	23498	.60	.60
23503	.55	.55	23504	6.50	4.75
23505	.60	.55	23506	1.00	1.00
23507	5.00	5.00	23508	1.50	1.50
23509	1.25	1.25	23510	1.25	1.25

23515	.60	.60	23516	.60	.60
23517	.55	.55	23518	.55	.55
23523	.55	1.50	23524	3.00	8.00
23525	3.50	8.00	23526	.65	.70
23580	.40	.40	23581	.40	.40
23582	.40	.45	23583	.40	.45
23586	.55	.60	23588	.55	.65
23590	1.75	1.50	23591	1.50	1.50

It is a bit too early to pass any  
concrete opinions on the new 6c  
Alexandria airmail issue. Here,  
in New York City there are good  
supplies of plates 24083, 85, 87  
and 88 with very little of 24084  
and 86. No doubt other sectors  
of the country have large quan-  
tities of the latter two numbers.  
The local Philatelic windows do  
have supplies of 24084 and 86 but  
one must purchase the full panes  
in order to acquire specific posi-  
tions.

Nevertheless, on the whole, the  
Alexandria air is more difficult  
to acquire than 3c commemora-  
tive stamps. The initial order of  
a 70,000,000 printing may or may

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## PLATE BLOCKER

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not be increased but I am of the opinion that we can look forward to at least one or more of those twenty-four positions being difficult to obtain. I hope that those non-plate block collectors and dealers, do not jump all over me for having the audacity to come back at them with some of those Tannu-Tuva issues.

There is one pertinent factor that a plate number collector must bear in mind and that is a plate number or position thereof can drop in value as well as rise in value. Up to a short while back plate numbers 22878 and 22879 were selling in plate block at from \$25.00 to \$30.00.

Of a sudden several dealers, in the East produced small quantities of these two numbers of No. 901-3c Defense issue. True the number of pieces coming on the market may not hurt the high-valued bracket, of these two numbers but again when an item has been so rare that one would come across these mayhap once or twice a year and then 20 or 30 appear at one time, it just cannot go unheeded.

At any rate at least 90 per cent of all want-lists need positions of these two numbers and no doubt, if the supply is limited, the available pieces will be quickly gobbled up.

## Collectors Of Germany Plan National Society

Collectors interested in the stamps of Germany will be pleased to hear that a national society whose members are interested in those stamps is in the process of organization.

It will be built around the local German Stamp Club which for the past 28 years has met regularly in Rochester, N. Y.

The Rochester group decided on the step after the many requests which came from interested collectors for data and postal history on the stamps of Germany.

Interested persons can write to the corresponding secretary for further information. He is Richard L. Casanova, P. O. Box 224, Rochester 1, N. Y.

President pro-tem is Herman Schloss while the editor of the bulletin which the club expects to produce at regular intervals is Wolfgang Fritzsche.

## PROPER CARE

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end of the block as a block, and the end of the sheet as a sheet.

Where that happens, it reduces the value of the stamps, since many stamps are worth a bit more as blocks, and sheets as a single unit are a more respectable holding than pieces of a sheet.

There is another bit of carelessness on the part of stamp-minded persons which causes damage to their precious pieces of paper. And this is the storing of their material under a lot of unnecessary external pressure.

It is not unusual to find that albums have a lot of other heavy books or other items piled on top of them as they lay in a horizontal position. The same goes for sheets and blocks where these have been put carefully in the proper type of containers, but have been laid horizontally and gobs of other things piled on top of them.

Under this pressure, even though in well made sheet and block files, the stamps still are not able to breathe properly and will lose the gum over a period of time. The gum, of course is not going to disappear in a matter of a month or so, but over a lengthy period of time it will first get quite shiny, and then seem to evaporate.

Today, anyone interested in the proper storage of their stamps have ample reasonably priced accessories available to them in just about the time it takes to go to their favorite stamp stores, or to place an order in the mail for them.

For blocks, there are the so-called Block Files made of glassine, cellulose acetate or kodapak. And for sheets there are the Sheet Files made of the same materials, but larger so that they can contain a full size sheet with some room to spare.

Blocks can also be stored in glassine envelopes and it has been found advisable to use that type where the flaps that hold them together are glued on each of the sides rather than meet across the entire back as ordinary letter envelopes do. The glue from the latter type has been known to leak on to the stamps and cause damage. In fact when that happens you generally have to soak the blocks loose.

The files, sheet or block, should be so constructed that adjacent sheets of the glassine or other material form a part pocket closed at the bottom. This makes it possible to store the files in a vertical position, which is the way they should be stored, and not have the stamps drop out the bottom.

There are various sizes of sheet files. It is fundamental that ones made with twenty to thirty pockets have heavy cardboard covers and with enough size to the pockets that the sheets will not be caused to bulge or bend.

Larger files should have heavy stiff board covers, and be constructed with stubbing placed at regular intervals so that the sheets will lie flat and not be caused to bulge or bend. Bulging and bending are hard on the perfs.

Glassine, kodapak and cellulose acetate as material for the various files has been found most acceptable since all three have less tendency to cause a stamp to stick under humid conditions, and because a good grade of any of them will not cause discoloration in the stamp paper.

Summing it up, if you will keep your stamps in files or glassine envelopes as described above and observe the added precautions of—storing the files or the envelopes vertically—keeping them free of external pressure of more than enough to keep the stamps flat—giving them a chance to "breathe"—not storing them in humid places such as basements or attics—not storing them in places where they might get more than ordinary heat—handling them as little as possible after they have once been prepared for storage—keeping them protected from dust and dirt, you will have a very saleable lot of stamps ten, twenty, thirty or more years from now.

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June 27—White Plains Co., 225 Mamaroneck Ave., White Plains, N. Y. U. S. General and large lots.

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## Cachet Marks Little Baseball Tournament

When the Second Annual National Tournament of the Little Baseball League is in session at Williamsport, Pa. from August 24 to 27, the event is going to be marked with a cachet to be applied to the prepared covers of collectors.

A detailed account of the tournament and its origination appeared in the May 14 Saturday Evening Post under the title, "Small Boy's Dream Come True."

It is hard ball boiled down to junior size in both the size of the baseball diamond and other facilities. A Williamsport citizen originated the idea, and Williamsport as a city has taken it from there.

While it is recommended that collectors plan to use the airmail to carry the cachet offered, surface mail covers will get just as much attention.

Covers are to be prepared with the names and the addresses kept to the right hand side to leave room for the cachet. A 3c stamp for surface mail or a 6c stamp for airmail must be added to each cover. Stuffers are advisable.

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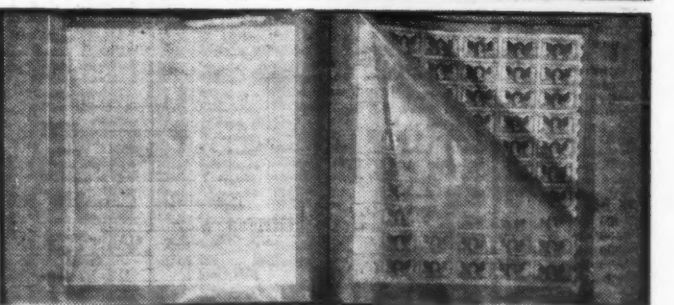
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